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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Box: New Patent Application

Re: New U.S. Patent Application for  
Title: STORAGE AREA NETWORK METHODS AND APPARATUS WITH FILE SYSTEM  
EXTENSION  
First Named Inventor: Brian Augustine Delaire  
U.S. Express Mail Label No.: EL 835 825 305 US  
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**Transmittal Letter**

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a U.S. patent application as follows:

- 1) This Transmittal Letter;
- 2) Application (253 total sheets, of which: Specification (incl. cover sheet) (195 sheets); Claims (9 sheets); Abstract (1 sheet); Drawings (48 sheets));
- 3) Declaration and Power of Attorney (unexecuted);
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- 5) Check in the amount of \$1,182.00; and
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